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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Shuichi Yamaguchi, et al.

Group Art Unit: 2861

Application No.: 09/818,765

Examiner: J. Nguyen

Filed: March 27, 2001

For: A METHOD OF REFILLING AN INK
CARTRIDGE FOR USE IN INK JET RECORDER

Date: January 15, 2003

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated August 22, 2002, the time for response to which having been extended for two months from November 22, 2002, to and including January 22, 2003, by the accompanying Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) and fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 1 and 5-10 without prejudice to, or disclaimer of, the subject matter presented therein.

Amend claims 2-4:

2. (Twice Amended) A method of refilling a spent ink bag for use in an ink jet recorder, comprising the steps of:

removing the spent ink bag from the ink jet recorder;
positioning the spent ink bag;